

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. **(currently amended)** A fitment for attachment to an ophthalmic aspirant collection bag comprising:
an elongated connector connected to a ophthalmic pump cartridge providing a conduit for aspirant to flow from the pump cartridge to an interior of the collection bag;
the connector having opposing ends wherein a first end is structured for attachment to the pump cartridge and a second end positioned within the interior of the collection bag is structured to form at least one notch in the second end of the connector; and
wherein the notch acts to prevent the collection bag from sealing off the conduit during surgery so that a sufficient amount of air will remain within the bag to allow a surgeon to air-vent an aspiration path during surgery to prevent collapse of an eye of a patient.
2. **(previously presented)** The invention of claim 1, wherein the fitment and the collection bag are heat-sealed together, such that no adhesive is required to form a liquid-tight seal between the bag and the fitment.
3. **(original)** The invention of claim 2, wherein a sealing-ring is formed between the opposing ends for providing a surface to seal the bag to the fitment.
4. **(original)** The invention of claim 1, wherein the second end includes two notches formed in opposing sides of the second end.